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Dear Parent/Carer

Retford Post 16 Planning for the Future Evening – Thursday 23 March 2017

Following the success of our November Open Evening and unprecedented demand for places we are thrilled to announce that we have been working on an exciting new curriculum offer. We are delighted to invite you to the launch of our comprehensive offer for 2017-18.

Subject staff from all courses offered will be on hand to explore their courses with you and answer any queries you may have as you prepare for this exciting new stage in your young person's educational journey.

Retford Post 16 is large enough to provide excellent, purpose built facilities and a range of courses, whilst small enough to ensure our students do not get 'lost' in a large impersonal institution. Many of our students join us having studied at either Retford Oaks or the Elizabethan Academy and this prior knowledge of our young people is a real bonus when it comes to bridging the gap between GCSE and A Level study.

Retford Post 16 is far more than merely an FE establishment. It is a supportive and nurturing environment, providing the ideal stepping stone from 11-16 education to further independent study and adulthood. Increasing numbers of our students are receiving unconditional offers from their first choice universities, a reflection of the extensive opportunities for enrichment and personal development they have been offered whilst with us.

Representatives of our thriving student Extended Leadership Team, and our Head Boy and Head Girl, will be available to give you a flavour of our Centre ethos and the hard work and dedication which is core to our community.

Additionally, to help you make an informed choice about the future, we are delighted to be joined on the 23 March by our partners at North Notts College plus a number of universities and Level 4 providers.

The evening will run from 6.00 – 8.00pm. Sharing our campus with the Leisure Centre has many advantages for our students; however, it can make parking difficult at peak times. Therefore we will be offering a Park and Ride service from Retford Oaks with ample parking spaces and buses shuttling every ten minutes.

We look forward to seeing you and your young person on 23 March between 6.00 and 8.00pm.

Yours sincerely

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Gemma Murphy
Associate Principal
Retford Oaks Academy

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jason White'.

Jason White
Vice Principal
Elizabethan Academy